

BOARD OF PARDONS CREATED BY HOUSE

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that references to specific cases should creep into this discussion."

Responsibility on Governor.

Mr. Field said he was not present to criticize the action of the Governor in the Allen cases, but that there could be no doubt but that that incident was the occasion for the offering of the bill. The final determination of just such matters was a responsibility which the Governor must assume when he takes the office, and was one that could not be sidestepped. Mr. Gordon objected to the perpetual multiplication of boards. The State was "board-ridden already," he asserted. The board of pardons, he argued, would amount to nothing, and be a mere useless expense. Mr. Brewer defended the bill, saying that he had not received an expensive pardon commission to investigate all cases, but merely a board for the appointment of public-spirited men who would serve for small compensation. He called in vain painful cases might be called in the Governor to weigh the questions and give him advice. He hoped that such cases as had so severely tried the fortitude of Governor Mann, and in which the executive had stood so bravely for what he believed to be right, would be few, and that the occasion, therefore, for calling this board together would seldom occur.

How the Vote Stood.

The bill was passed by the following vote:

Ayes: Messrs. Burrell, Bonifant, Brewer, Buck, Chapman, Cousins, John Orr, Daniel, J. William Daniel, Duke, Easley, Perebe, Grant, Grasty, Gunn, Harris, Harrison, Hobson, Horner, Houston, Huff, Kent, Kinsey, Land, Leedy, Lewis, Love, Lowry, Massie, Miller, Minstead, Montague, Myers, Nelson, Oliver, Owen, Pennington, Pitts, Powell, Powers, Price, F. Smith, H. B. Smith, Spaulding, Stearns, Stock, Stubbs, Taylor, Tiffany, Toney, A. G. Weaver, Williams, Willis, Winston, Speaker Cox—54.

Noes: Messrs. Adams, Barley, Branscomb, Brown, Browning, Cawthon, Clement, Connors, Crockett, Dalton, Egan, Egan, Field, Flanagan, Franklin, Green, Gordon, Hartley, Harvey, Heflin, Hughes, Johnson, Jordan, Lincoln, Meete, Noland, Norris, Page, Philpott, Radford, Reed, Rew, Robertson, Spessard, Stephenson, Terrell, Walton, Woodward—35.

Patred: Mr. Gregory, voting aye, with Mr. White, voting no.

Fees for Allen Attorneys.

Bills introduced yesterday in both houses authorize the Auditor of Public Accounts to pay fees aggregating \$17,500 to four attorneys retained by Attorney-General Williams to aid him in prosecuting the various members of the Allen family implicated in the killing of the court officers at Hillsville on March 14, 1912. The patrons of the bill in the Senate are Senators Crockett and Buchanan. Delegates Jordan and Crockett introduced the bill in the House.

The bill sets forth the circumstances attending the retention of attorneys and apportions their fees as follows: Joseph C. Wyner, \$5,000; John S. Draper, \$5,000; W. S. Poore, \$5,000; and S. Floyd Landreth, \$2,500. These fees are to be paid out of the public funds in accounts submitted to the Attorney-General.

All of these attorneys, it is stated, were retained by Attorney-General Williams upon the advice of Governor Mann, who promised at the time that he would recommend to the General Assembly the payment of reasonable fees for their services. They assisted in the prosecution at the Carroll and Wythe County Circuit Courts of Floyd, Claude Swanson, Friel, Victor and Sidna Allen, and Sidna and Wesley

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A pair of \$1.50 gloves at 98c.

And shoes and hats—all away below par.

C. H. Perry

Edwards, devoting, according to the bill, nine months to this work.

Under the terms of the bill, no payment is to be made by the Auditor of Public Accounts until the amount of the fees shall have been reported to the Governor and by him approved.

THE HOUSE

Immediately on being convened with prayer by Rev. J. L. Gibbs, of the Church of the Good Shepherd, the House of Delegates recessed yesterday morning, and was addressed by Chief Justice Walter Clark, of the Supreme Court of North Carolina. Mr. Chaikley, of Wise, presided, and Justice Clark was presented by Delegate Lincoln, of Smyth. He spoke briefly of the ties which knit Virginia and North Carolina together, winning prolonged applause by his reference to his first visit to Richmond, when, as a fourteen-year-old boy, wearing the uniform of a Confederate soldier, his regiment camped in the Capitol Square under the shadow of the building in which he was speaking. At the conclusion of the address, many members came forward and were presented to the North Carolina jurist, whose opinions in many important cases have given

him a wide reputation among attorneys throughout this country.

Inauguration Exercises.

Resolutions offered by Judge Martin Williams, providing for a joint session of the Senate and House of Delegates on Monday at 11 o'clock to witness the taking of the oaths of office by Governor-Elect Henry C. Stuart and Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellyson, were adopted. Judge Williams communicated the paper to the Senate, and shortly afterwards Senator Harman notified the House that the Senate had concurred in the resolutions for the inauguration ceremonies. At the request of the House, a bill to amend the charter of the City of Bristol was recommitted to the Committee on Counties, Cities and Towns, some parties from the Southwest desiring to be heard.

House bill No. 71, amending the act in regard to the purity and methods of sale of commercial fertilizers, was recommitted to the Committee on Agriculture and Mining by request.

Want Hall Ventilated.

Resolutions directing the clerk of the House of Delegates, with the advice of the Speaker, to install some method of ventilation in the chamber of the House of Delegates, and to charge the cost to the contingent fund, were adopted unanimously. Notwithstanding the fact that the House chamber is in the new wing of the Capitol, and supposed to be supplied with a modern ventilating system, and that smoking is not permitted either during the session or for an hour before and after, the hall is regarded as close and unsanitary to an unusual degree, members having been forced to leave the hall during debates because of the foul air.

House bill No. 15, to prevent the expenditure of State money by State institutions in sending members of their boards or other persons to Richmond to lobby for appropriations, was passed by a vote of 57 to 14, after a spirited debate. The bill came up on its third reading and passage. Mr. Browning, of Orange, asked that the vote by which it was passed to its third reading be reconsidered, in order that he might offer amendments, which, in the course of the discussion, he admitted would cut the heart out of the bill. His motion was rejected, and the bill was passed, the noes being Messrs. Browning, Field, Flanagan, Franklin, Grasty, Houston, Lincoln, Miller, Montague, Owen, Taylor, Willis, Winston and Speaker Cox.

Members on State Boards.

The bill was offered by Mr. White and reported favorably by the Committee on Finance. Mr. White stated that the next step in this reform would be a measure to prohibit members of the General Assembly from serving on the boards of State institutions. The bill provides that the officers of no university, college, school, asylum or other institution or board maintained in part or in whole by the State, shall spend or appropriate any money for the purpose of or official of the institution, or other person, to the General Assembly or any committee thereof, for the purpose of advocating in any way any appropriation for any institution. Provision is made that when the General Assembly desires information, it may request any institution or board to send one member to give the information desired.

Annual Payment of Licenses.

Without objection, the House passed a bill offered by Mr. Reed, of Portsmouth, reported by the Committee on Finance, to amend the act in regard to the method of applying for and obtaining State licenses, providing for annual instead of quarterly payments in certain cases.

After prolonged debate, the House passed the Brewer bill to establish a State Board of pardons, to define its duties and powers, and its compensation and provide the manner of its appointment.

A Senate bill to carry forward the unexpended balance of \$19,542.14 for the Virginia monument at Gettysburg, heretofore appropriated, was passed to its third reading. In the midst of a debate over a House bill amending the act in relation to the powers and duties of the State Highway Commissioner, the House adjourned.

THE SENATE

The Senate devoted an hour and forty minutes yesterday to the routine business of the calendar, advancing a large number of bills and referring sixteen new bills to committees. Lieutenant-Governor J. Taylor Ellyson convened the body at the noon hour, and Rev. W. J. Young, D. D., of the Presbyterian Methodist Church, offered prayer.

A joint resolution reported from the House was concurred in calling for a joint meeting of the General Assembly in the hall of the House of Delegates at 11:30 o'clock on Monday morning for the purpose of witnessing the induction of Governor-Elect Stuart and Lieutenant-Governor Ellyson.

Bills Passed.

The following bills were passed: Amending the general act creating a bureau of insurance and regulating the insurance business in this State. Patron, Senator Tavenner.

Amending the act governing the distribution of the license tax levied by the State on automobiles and other motor-driven vehicles. Patron, Senator Fletcher.

Authorizing the Auditor of Public Accounts to pay from the criminal charges fund the allowances made jurors summoned from the city of Richmond to try a criminal case in the Corporation Court of the city of Alexandria. Patron, Senator Thornton.

To define clearly the limitation of building and loan associations or companies from the payment of any State franchise tax. Patron, Senator Lesner.

To provide compensation for judges of the Supreme Court of Appeals of Virginia on their retirement from the bench after a service of twelve consecutive years and upon attaining the age of seventy years. Patron, Mr. Wendenburg.

To require the Auditor of Public Accounts to call for statements of county and city treasurers concerning all financial affairs in said offices, and to provide penalties for the failure to comply with the provisions of this act. Patron, Mr. Paul.

To amend and re-enact section 815 of the Code of Virginia. Patron, Mr. Drewry.

To authorize the United States government to acquire title to and jurisdiction over certain lands situated at Cape Henry, in the county of Princess Anne. Patrons, Messrs. Lesner and Mapp.

To amend and re-enact an act to regulate the professional nursing of the State of Virginia, approved May 14, 1903. Patron, Mr. Easley.

To dedicate as and for a public street or highway, upon certain conditions, a strip of land composing the southeast corner of the Capitol Square, not exceeding 11 feet 4 inches at the point

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T. J. Hewlett.....	C. & O.....	4,143
W. D. Rudd.....	Southern.....	2,217
Jas. T. Bailey.....	C. & O.....	1,483
F. L. Shaw.....	C. & O.....	891
John W. Cotton, Jr.....	A. C. L.....	621
P. J. Hawkes.....	N. & W.....	497
C. G. Blakey.....	R. F. & P.....	407
L. C. Schwellert.....	C. & O.....	432
J. L. Howell.....	A. C. L.....	312
J. T. Southward.....	R. F. & P.....	297
C. M. Mallory.....	R. F. & P.....	163
A. C. Anthony.....	C. & O.....	155
W. M. Whitehurst.....	S. A. L.....	147
W. M. Cousins.....	R. F. & P.....	118
W. S. Eastwood.....	Southern.....	104
N. Cannon.....	R. F. & P.....	104
Robt. L. Deavers.....	R. F. & P.....	103
S. F. Wright.....	Southern.....	102
Robt. Lynch.....	Southern.....	103
J. A. Thompson.....	R. F. & P.....	102
A. T. Atwell.....	Southern.....	100

We have temporarily discontinued the names of conductors who have not 100 votes to their credit. As soon as 100 or more votes are registered these names will be published.

of its greatest width. Patrons, Messrs. Harman and Cannon.

To place it in the discretion of the court to require testimony in a divorce case to be given *en tunc* in open court, and providing how testimony so given, or the facts so proven, may be made part of the record of the cause for appeal. Patron, Mr. Paul.

Senate joint resolution No. 1, proposing an amendment to section 45, Article IV, of the Constitution. Patron, Mr. Featherston.

Advanced to Second Reading.

The following bills were advanced from their first to their second reading:

To provide a mode by which cities of this Commonwealth having a population in excess of 100,000 may request the General Assembly to grant a special form of government for any such city. Patrons, Messrs. Harman and Cannon.

To amend and re-enact sections 2, 4 and 19 of "An act to provide for the immediate registration of all births and deaths throughout the State of Virginia." Patron, Mr. Drewry.

To provide for instruction in the public schools for preventing accidents. Patrons, Messrs. Holt, Harman and Cannon.

To provide for the encouragement, maintenance and supervision of industrial, agricultural, household arts and commercial education. Patron, Mr. Rison.

To amend and re-enact an act entitled "An act to provide for the establishment of libraries in the public schools of the rural districts." Patron, Mr. Rison.

To amend and re-enact section 19 of an act entitled "An act to raise revenue for the support of the government and public free schools and to pay the

Interest on the public debt. Patron, Mr. Echols.

To dedicate as and for a public street, and highway upon certain conditions, a strip of land composing the north-west corner of the Capitol Square, not exceeding fifteen feet at the point of its greatest depth. Patrons, Messrs. Cannon and Harman.

To amend and re-enact an act entitled "An act for the purpose of regulating the construction of public school buildings, in order that the light and comfort of all pupils may be properly protected." Approved March 11, 1905. Patron, Mr. Thornton.

To provide for the establishment of kindergartens as part of the common school system of the State. Patron, Mr. Crockett.

To admit children six years of age to the public free schools of the State under certain conditions. Patron, Mr. Crockett.

To amend and re-enact an act approved April 15, 1903, entitled "An act to authorize the board of supervisors of the several counties of the State to issue new bonds at the same or lower rate of interest." Patron, Mr. Garret.

To amend the road law of Campbell County. Patron, Mr. Featherston.

To amend and re-enact section 2 of an act providing for the support of tracts of land into lots or parcels, and for the record of plats thereof." Patrons, Messrs. Harman and Cannon.

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By Mr. Spatig: A bill to amend and re-enact section 2 of an act providing a charter for the town of Greensville in the county of Brunswick in the State of Virginia.

By Messrs. Woodward and Cousins: A bill to amend sections 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 96